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TO ALL AFRICAN DIPLOMATIC POSTS

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SUBJECT: PRESS GUIDANCE FOR INTERNATIONAL NAVAL REVIEW

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1. FOLLOWING IS PRESS GUIDANCE FOR THE INTERNATIONAL NAVAL REVIEW TO BE SPONSORED BY THE US NAVY IN NEW YORK HARBOR ON JULY 4.

2. QUESTION: WHY IS THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT INVITING SOUTH AFRICAN NAVY TO PARTICIPATE IN A MILITARY BI-CENTENNIAL EVENT? ISN'T THIS INCONSISTENT WITH THE POLICY LIMITING MILITARY CONTACTS WITH SOUTH AFRICA?

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3. ANSWER: THE US NAVY, IN KEEPING WITH THE APOLITICAL

CHARACTER OF THE BICENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE, IS INVITING  
NEARLY ALL COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD WHICH HAVE A NAVY AND  
WITH WHOM THE UNITED STATES HAS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. SOME  
48 COUNTRIES ARE EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE, INCLUDING THOSE  
SENDING ONLY DELEGATIONS.

4. QUESTION: WHAT KIND OF SHIP WILL THE SOUTH AFRICANS  
SEND?

5. ANSWER: SOUTH AFRICA HAS NOT YET INDICATED THE DEGREE  
TO WHICH IT MIGHT PARTICIPATE IN THE EVENT. KISSINGER

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